UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOREST SERVICE CORONADO NATIONAL FOREST SANTA CATALINA RANGER DISTRICT

TEMPORARY AREA CLOSURE

Pursuant to 16 USC 551 and 36 CFR 261.50(a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited in the area described in this order, and depicted on the attached map hereby incorporated into this order as Exhibit A, all within the Santa Catalina Ranger District, Coronado National Forest, Pima County, Arizona:

PROHIBITIONS:

- 1. Parking or leaving a vehicle in violation of posted instructions. 36 CFR 261.58(g)
- 2. Occupying a vista between the hours of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. 36 CFR 261.58(u)
- 3. Possessing a beverage which is defined as an alcoholic beverage by State law. 36 CFR 261.58(bb)

EXEMPTIONS:

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this order:

- Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
- 2. Any Federal, State or Local Law Enforcement Officer or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.
- 3. Persons over 21 years of age transporting alcoholic beverages through the closed area, in any mode of transportation, when said beverages have not had its seal broken or the contents have not been partially removed (in reference to 36 CFR 261.58(bb)).
- 4. Persons leaving unoccupied vehicles within the closed area for the purpose of accessing trails (in reference to 36 CFR 261.58(g)).

AREA DESCRIBED:

The closure area includes all vistas and pullouts along Forest Road 833, also known as General Hitchcock Highway, located within Townships 11, 12, and 13 South, Ranges 15 and 16 East.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this order is to allow for the protection of public health, safety, and property, and to provide for a continued quality environment. This order allows Forest Service Law Enforcement Officers to enforce the parking restrictions while also mitigating the ongoing issues of vandalism, public order crimes, littering, noise, and unsafe driving on Forest Road 833, also known as General Hitchcock Highway. In addition, some areas covered by this order have wildlife species of special concern.

IMPLEMENTATION:

- 1. This order shall be in effect when signed and shall remain in effect until September 30, 2017, or until rescinded, whichever is earlier.
- 2. This order supersedes, rescinds, and replaces any previous orders prohibiting the same acts covered by this order.
- 3. Any violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 for individuals and \$10,000.00 for organizations and/or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months. [16 USC 551, 18 USC 3571(b)(6), 18 USC 3581(b)(7)].

Signed in Tucson, Arizona, this __

_ day of <u>January</u>, 20/6

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